

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, On September 6, 1931, ten communicant members and fourteen baptized souls with faith in God and in the future, installed the first pastor, Reverend Hugo Larson, of Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church at Pierre, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, The congregation grew together in faith and dedicated their first church building in December 1938, and as the congregation continued to grow, a larger church was dedicated on December 10, 1961; and,

Whereas, An education/fellowship wing was dedicated on April 29, 1979, allowing for the creation of a Faith Lutheran Preschool that year, followed by a Faith Lutheran Day Care Center in 1988; and,

Whereas, The church was blessed with continued growth, and a new sanctuary was dedicated on May 19, 1996; and,

Whereas, The church that started with 14 faithful individuals 75 years ago has grown to 1,373 communicant members and 1,678 baptized souls; and,

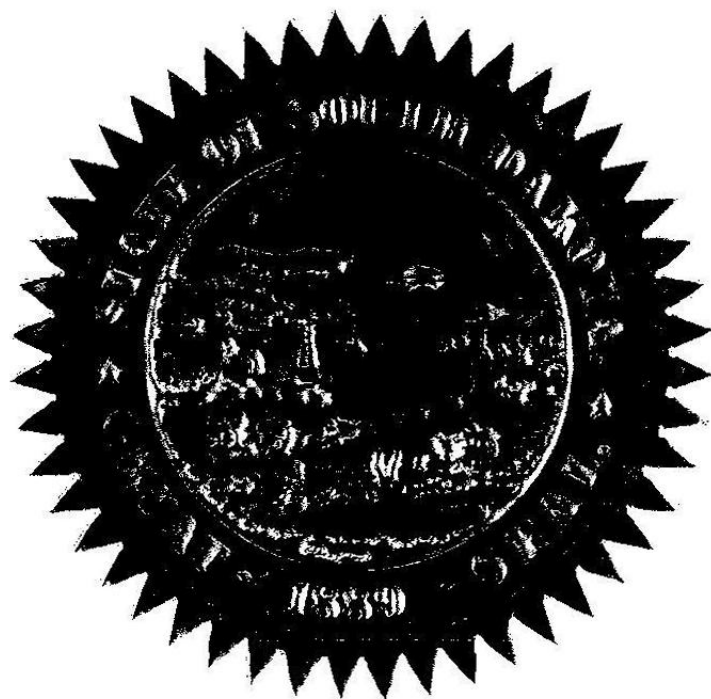
Whereas, The 75th anniversary celebration of the Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church of Pierre, South Dakota, will take place on Sunday, September 17, 2006, to give special recognition to its presence in this community, as well as to honor Vietnam era military personnel for their service to this nation:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 17, 2006, as

FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fourth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.



A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. Michael Rounds", written over a horizontal line.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Chris Nelson", written over a horizontal line.

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State